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STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW

Sir:

Please enter into the official record the following statement concerning the substance of a telephone interview in compliance with 37 CFR 1.133, which is responsive to an Interview Summary mailed Sep. 19, 2006.

Statement begins on page 2 of this paper.

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Appl. No. 10/027,751 Stmt. of Subs. dated Oct. 19, 2006 Reply to Interview Summary of 09/19/2006

Statement of the Substance of the Interview

A telephone interview was conducted between the undersigned Agent for Applicant, J. Michael Johnson, and Examiner Aditya Bhat, on August 28, 2006. Also present during the interview was Examiner John Barlow, SPE. The interview was conducted pursuant to receipt of an Office Action mailed June 21, 2006 to discuss a new rejection under 35 U.S.C. 101 of Claim 2-26 for lacking a "useful, concrete and tangible result" contained in the Office Action. Claims 2-26 had previously been deemed allowable by Examiner Bhat.

During the interview, Mr. Johnson questioned the reason for the new rejection. Examiner Barlow explained that the rejection was a result of applying new interim guidelines (OG Notices: 22 November 2005 - Interim Guidelines for Examination of Patent Applications for Patent Subject Matter Eligibility). Mr. Johnson further questioned the completeness of the rejection (i.e., whether all of the claims should have been rejected) and requested guidance regarding how the requirements of the new interim guidelines could reasonably be met with respect to the rejected claims. Examiner Barlow agreed that the rejection was incomplete and that guidance was warranted. Examiner Barlow further agreed that the Office Action would be withdrawn and a new Office Action with a new due date would be issued, since at the time of the interview the shortened statutory period of 3 months had not yet expired.

Should the Examiner have any questions regarding the above, the Examiner is urged to contact the undersigned by telephone at the number given below.

> Respectfully submitted, JOEL P. DUNSMORE ET AL.

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